

2019 ANNUAL REPORT



FOREST GROVE POLICE DEPARTMENT

SERVICE. INTEGRITY. PROFESSIONALISM.

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OUR MISSION

Consistently strive towards making Forest Grove a safe place to live, work, learn, play and visit, and to contribute to the economic prosperity of our community through professional and responsive high-quality law enforcement services to our citizens and visitors.



MESSAGE FROM CHIEF REIMANN:

On behalf of all the men and women of the Forest Grove Police Department, both sworn and civilian, I am honored to report to you the achievements of these hard working individuals. I am pleased to present the 2019 Annual Report.

The purpose of this report is to provide our community a snapshot of information and statistics impacting our city and the department including crime, department updates, staffing levels, and what's new in our department.

We believe our role in the community is to ensure the safety of all its people and provide assurance that they can live their lives feeling safe. The police department's focus for 2019 has been anchored in a community engagement strategy which has been and, will continue to be the corner stone in our policing philosophy.



We realize there are many variables that contribute towards this goal, such as our very dedicated and talented employees as well as strong support from our Mayor, City Council, City Manager and the community itself.

We also understand that, in order for us to continue to accomplish our mission, we must have the confidence, support, and trust of our first responder partners, community organizations, businesses, the people who live, visit, and work in our city. We thank all of you for your continued support and involvement in keeping our community among the safest in the region. We can't do it alone.

Our framework also seeks to ensure ethics are incorporated into all aspects of policing, making ethical behavior, practices and decision making a part of our daily routine. This is supported by a range of policies and initiatives that promote a culture resistant to misconduct and injustice.

Our work will continue in 2020 and new challenges will emerge. In the coming year we will continue to develop policies, frameworks and strategies that promote equity and inclusion. I am confident that the men and women of the Forest Grove Police Department are prepared, equipped and motivated to meet these new challenges.

I believe the men and women of the Forest Grove Police Department remain some of the finest in law enforcement. I am very proud of our police department and what they accomplished this past year.

The Forest Grove Police Department wants to thank all of you who supported and worked alongside us in making Forest Grove a great place where families and businesses thrive. We look forward to working in partnership with you, our elected officials, and the community.

Thank you for your continued support. It is my honor to serve as the Chief of the Forest Grove Police Department.

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OUR VISION:

To be the best law enforcement agency in Washington County in terms of professional reputation.

Professional representation on regional investigative teams
Professional working relationships with other agencies
Positive working relationships with our stakeholders

To be a career destination for law enforcement professionals – sworn and civilian.

Be a learning organization promoting professional development Targeting recruitments consistent with our mission and values

To be an allied partner agency with regional stakeholders – promoting the interests of Forest Grove in furtherance of city goals.

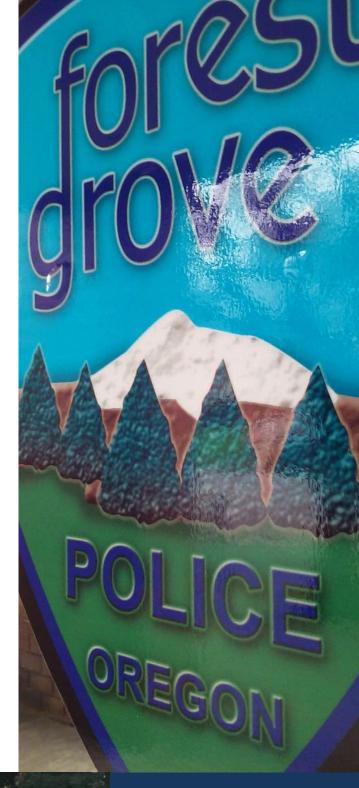
Policy development and review in concert with city goals Coordinated training with other law enforcement agencies

For Forest Grove Police Department employees to be proud of their affiliation with the department, city, and community.

Promoting esprit de corps through employee involvement
Maintaining accountability and responsibility
Rewarding behavior consistent with our mission and goals

To be fully capable of meeting all reasonable investigative, crime prevention, patrol, and traffic needs of the citizenry as growth impacts the community.

Forecasted budgeting reflecting the needs of the community Stewardship and accountability of all entrusted public funds





OUR CORE VALUES:

SERVICE, INTEGRITY & PROFESSIONALISM



CITY GOVERNMENT OVERVIEW

FOREST GROVE:

The Forest Grove City Charter provides for a Council/Manager form of city government. The Council is the policy-making body of the city. They adopt laws and regulations, annual goals and objectives and budgets that fund a wide range of public services. Council members give direction to city staff through the City Manager who serves at the pleasure of the city council. The mayor is the leader of the governing body and presides over the council meetings.

The Forest Grove City Council Goals for 2019-2020 are:

- Promote Safe, Livable, and Sustainable Neighborhoods
- Manage an Effective Financial Plan to Provide Quality Service Levels
- Advance the Interests of Forest Grove in Local, State, and National Affairs

The City Council & Mayor of Forest Grove

- Peter B. Truax, Mayor Elected Term Expires 2022
- Kristy L. Kottkey, Councilor—Elected Term Expires 2022
- Timothy Rippe, Councilor Elected Term Expires 2020
- Elena Uhing, Councilor Elected Term Expires 2020
- Mariana E. Valenzuela, Councilor—Elected Term Expires 2022
- Adolph Valfre Jr., Councilor Elected Term Expires 2020
- Melinda Wenzl, Councilor Elected Term Expires 2022

The City Manager

The City Manager performs executive duties for the City, applying the policies made by the City Council. The City Manager oversees the City Departments, expends funds as authorized, makes recommendations to the Council, and keeps them up to date on the City's business and financial condition.

Jesse Vanderzanden serves as the Forest Grove City Manager.

OUR CITY

Established: 1850

Incorporated: 1872

County: Washington

Population: 24,141

(Male 49%, Female 51%)

Median Age: 34

Households: 8,320

Average Household Size: 2.74

Racial Makeup:

76% Caucasian, 23% Latino/Hispanic, 1 % Other

Home of Pacific University - established 1849





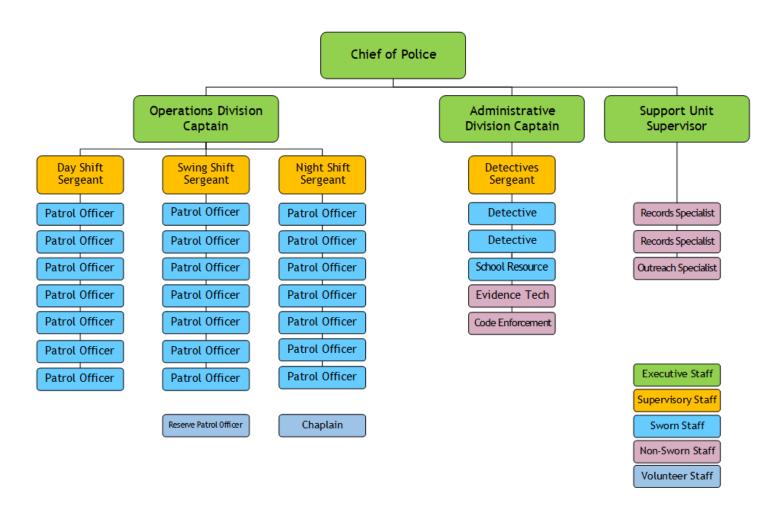
POLICE OFFICER OATH:

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Oregon, the laws and ordinances of the City of Forest Grove, and the rules and regulations of the Forest Grove Police Department. I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Police Officer for the Forest Grove Police Department, to which I have been appointed according to law.





FOREST GROVE POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMAND STRUCTURE





2019QUICK FACTS

TOTAL STAFF: 38

SWORN OFFICERS:

CIVILIANS: 6

CHIEFS: 1

CAPTAINS: 2

SERGEANTS: 4

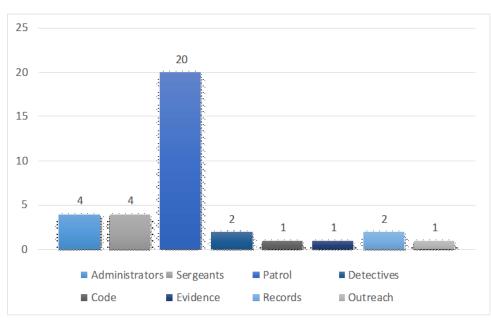
PATROL: 23

DETECTIVES: 2

DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW:

The Forest Grove Police Department serves the community of Forest Grove through law enforcement patrol, investigative services, crime prevention, and community outreach. At the end of 2018, the department employed 29 sworn officers, including a chief, two captains (division commanders), four sergeants (including one detective sergeant), two detectives, and 20 patrol officers (including one school resource officer). The department also employed one full-time code enforcement officer, one community outreach specialist, a support unit supervisor, an evidence specialist, and two records specialists. A volunteer chaplain also served the members of the department and community.

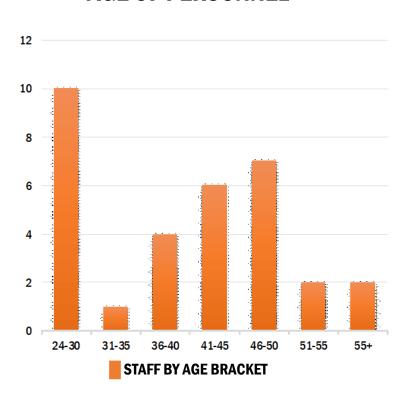
DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

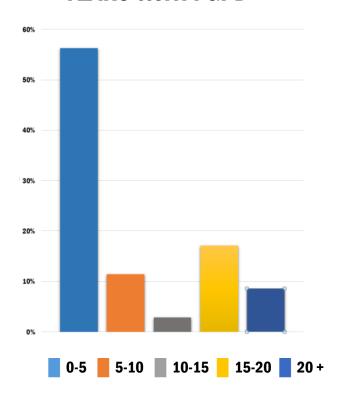


AT - A - GLANCE:

AGE OF PERSONNEL

YEARS WITH FGPD



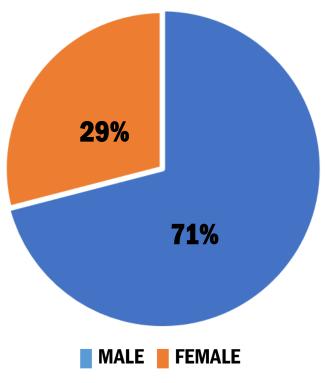


STAFF BY RACE:

91%

WHITE LATINO NATIVE AMERICAN

STAFF BY GENDER:





ADMINISTRATION:

The department administration is comprised of the Chief of Police, Operations Division Commander, Administrative Division Commander, and Support Unit Supervisor. The administration is responsible for budget management, policy development and review, personnel matters, strategic planning, community relations, media relations, labor relations, and special projects. The department administration oversees department training.

FROM TOP TO BOTTOM:

chief Janie Schutz Joined the Forest Grove Police Department in 2012 and has more than 31 years of law enforcement experience with agencies in Wisconsin, Michigan, North Carolina and Oregon. Chief Schutz has served as a patrol officer, patrol sergeant, detective, detective sergeant, and academy instructor, as well as serving as the Chief of Police in Wadesboro, North Carolina. Chief Schutz retired from the Forest Grove Police Department in December of 2019.

CAPTAIN MICHAEL HALL: Joined the Forest Grove Police in 1996. A veteran of the U.S. Army, Captain Hall has worked in law enforcement for more than 22 years. He holds a BS in Administration of Justice from Portland State University. In his tenure, he has served as a patrol officer, patrol sergeant, detective, detective sergeant, and administrative sergeant, as well as on the Major Crimes and Crash Reconstruction and Analysis teams. He was promoted to the rank of Captain in April 2018, and serves as the Operations Division Commander.

CAPTAIN KEVIN ELLINGSBURG: Joined the Forest Grove Police in 1993 and served in law enforcement for more than 26 years. He holds a BS in Administration of Justice from Portland State University. He served as a patrol officer, patrol sergeant, detective, firearms instructor, range master, and motor officer. He was promoted to the rank of Captain in 2013 and served as Administrative Division Commander until his retirement in April of 2019.

SUPPORT UNIT SUPERVISOR LISA CANNON: Joined the Forest Grove Police Department in 2011. Lisa oversees the Records department and the Community Outreach Specialist, as well as purchasing, payroll, payables, and the records management system. She holds a BA in Business Management with a psychology minor, and previously worked for a hotel/restaurant management company for 16 years, 12 of which as the Human Resources Manager. Lisa is one of six non-sworn, civilian employees at the FGPD.

SERGEANTS:

The Forest Grove Police Department has three patrol sergeants who oversee patrol officers for day, swing, and night shifts, and one detective sergeant who oversees the investigative team.

FROM TOP TO BOTTOM:

SERGEANT SCOTT KING: Joined the Forest Grove Police Department in 2005 and has more than 16 years of law enforcement experience, starting as a Beaverton Police cadet in high school and later a reserve officer. Sgt. King holds a BA in Sociology from Pacific University and has served as a patrol officer, field training officer, detective, and patrol sergeant. He also oversees the department's field training evaluation program and the reserve program.

SERGEANT TROY MASLEN: Joined the Forest Grove Police Department in 1994 and has more than 26 years of law enforcement experience. He has served as a reserve officer, patrol officer, patrol sergeant, detective, transit officer, and motor officer. He holds a BS in Criminal Justice. Sergeant Maslen will assume the position of Administrative Division Commander in 2020.

partment in 2012 and has more than 8 years of law enforcement experience. A veteran of the United States Marine Corps, Sgt. Lazenby served as a Washington County Sheriff's Deputy prior to joining the FGPD. He has served as a reserve officer, patrol officer, detective, and patrol sergeant. In addition to supervising the Detective Unit, Sgt. Lazenby also oversees Evidence, the School Resource Officer and the Code Enforcement Officer.

SERGEANT RAY MCGREW: Joined the Forest Grove Police Department in 2004 and has more than 23 years of law enforcement experience. Sgt. McGrew began his law enforcement career with the Polk County Sherriff's Office as a reserve before joining the Milton-Freewater Police Department where he served as a patrol officer and corporal. As a member of the FGPD, Sgt. McGrew has served as a patrol officer, motor officer, and field training officer. He was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in October, 2019.



DETECTIVES:

The Forest Grove Police Department has an Investigations division that currently comprised two detectives and a detective sergeant in 2019. To serve in Investigations, officers are expected to have at least five years of patrol experience and participated in trainings in a variety of law enforcement disciplines.

Detectives also assist the Patrol Division by covering shifts when staffing shortages arise, as well as completing search warrants and affidavits when necessary.



Det. Charles McCutchen



Det. Darren Pomeroy

PATROL DIVISION



Ofc. Tom Siciliano



Ofc. Clarice Gordon



Ofc. Joe Martino



Ofc. Matthew Smith



Ofc. Jeffrey Fox



Ofc. Steven Teets



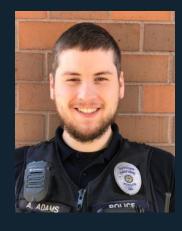
Ofc. Eduardo Sanchez



Ofc. Andrew Colasurdo



Ofc. Bradley Schuetz



Ofc. Austin Adams



Ofc. Hector Aguilar



Ofc. Matthew Krump

PATROL DIVISION



Ofc. Bon McBee



Ofc. Amber Daniels



Ofc. Carson Bartlett



Ofc. Samuel Younce



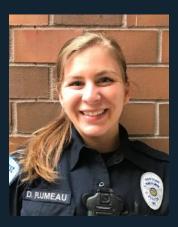
Ofc. Matthew Glem



Ofc. Kole McGann



Ofc. Eric Shafer



Ofc. Daphne Plumeau



Ofc. Kaitlyn Scott



Ofc. Aaron Huson



PATROL DIVISION:

The Forest Grove Police Department's patrol division is broken into three shifts: day, swing, and night. Each shift is comprised of up to six patrol officers and is supervised by a patrol sergeant who also responds to calls. Patrol officers respond to calls, conduct proactive patrol throughout the city, and enforce traffic regulations, city ordinances, and state statutes. The Patrol Division also supplies a school resource officer to the Forest Grove School District (see page 22).

On average, the FGPD receives 50-70 calls for service each day, and will be involved in an average of 400-500 activities each week, both reported and self-initiated. In most cases, patrol personnel investigate both the initial report of crimes and conduct all related follow-up and ensure criminal cases are ready for prosecution when appropriate.

In 2019, the Forest Grove Police Department responded to 23,095 calls. This included 10,442 dispatched calls - calls in which members of the public contact dispatch through non-emergency or 911 requesting service. Officers also engaged in 12,653 self-initiated calls - incidents in which officers initiate the call, such as a traffic stop or a suspicious circumstance.

Sergeants and officers averaged 1,004 calls each in 2019 and wrote, on average, 119 reports each. Common dispatched calls for service in 2019 were regarding suspicious circumstances, including suspicious persons and vehicles. Police also responded to a variety of calls for public assistance, including welfare checks, premise checks and extra patrols.

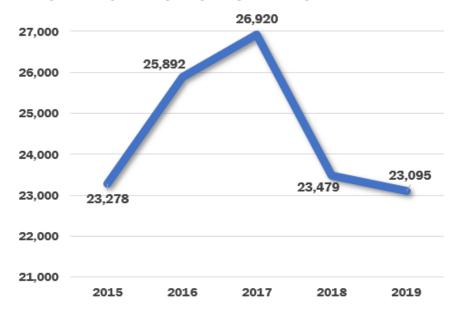
In 2019, the top five incidents officers responded to were thefts, domestic disturbances, fraud, burglaries, and assaults. Police made 936 arrests in 2019, and issued 1,648 citations.

2019 CALLS FOR SERVICE:

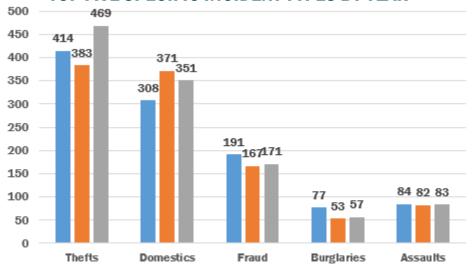
23,095

DISPATCHED CALLS: 10,442
SELF INITIATED CALLS: 12,653
TRAFFIC STOPS: 4,966
REPORTS TAKEN: 2,741
CITATIONS ISSUED: 1,648
ARRESTS: 936

TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE BY YEAR



TOP FIVE SPECIFIC INCIDENT TYPES BY YEAR

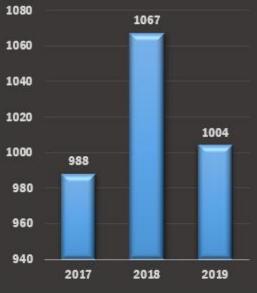


POLICE ACTIVITY:

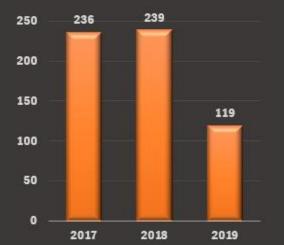
ALARMS	351
ANIMAL COMPLAINTS	383
ARSON	0
ASSAULTS	83
ASSIST OUTSIDE AGENCIES	384
ASSIST PUBLIC	1215
BURGLARIES	57
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	142
DISTURBANCES	201
DOMESTIC DISTURBANCES	351
DUII	96
EXTRA PATROLS	398
FRAUD	171
HARASSMENT	269
HIT & RUNS	114
JUVENILE PROBLEMS	196
MENTAL INTERVENTION	71
MISSING PERSON	42
NOISE COMPLAINTS	298
SEX OFFENSES	12
STOLEN VEHICLE	61
SUBJECT CONTACTS	963
SUICIDE THREATS/ATTEMPTS	86
SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCE	514
SUSPICIOUS PERSONS	595
SUSPICIOUS VEHICLES	441
THEFTS	469
TRAFFIC CRASHES	333
WARRANT SERVICE	199
WELFARE CHECKS	811

2017 2018 2019

AVERAGE NUMBER OF CALLS ANNUALLY PER OFFICER:



AVERAGE NUMBER OF REPORTS ANNUALLY PER OFFICER:



BEYOND INCIDENT RESPONSE:

Patrol officers are routinely engaged in trainings that build knowledge and skills, and will usually specialize in any number of specialty fields within law enforcement. Seasoned officers also take on the role of training new officers as they leave the police academy and begin their service with the FGPD.

Some personnel from the operations division are members of countywide teams, including Major Crimes, Multi-Disciplinary Child Abuse, Emergency Behavioral Health, Elder Abuse, Drug Recognition Expert program and Crash Analysis Reconstruction Team (CART). Patrol personnel also liaison with various social service agencies to address other societal issues such as mental health problems, elder abuse, and juvenile delinquency.

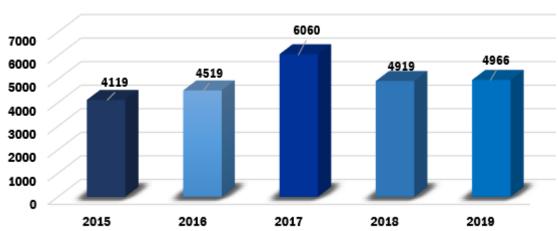
In addition to criminal investigations, patrol personnel participated in special projects and events such as, Shop With a Cop, Forest Grove Light Parade, enhanced DUII enforcement, underage alcohol purchase operations, Pacific University and Forest Grove High School events, community events such as the Love Rocks Run and Founders Day Corn Roast, Coffee with a Cop and the department's National Night Out celebration.



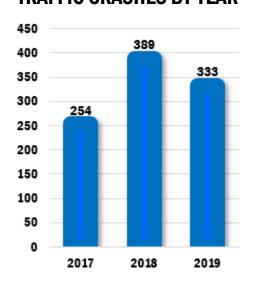


TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT STATS

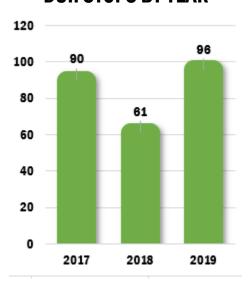
TOTAL TRAFFIC STOPS BY YEAR (2015-2019)



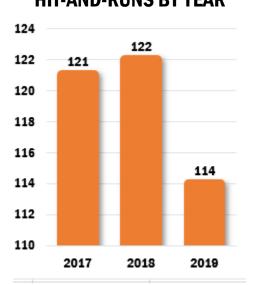
TRAFFIC CRASHES BY YEAR



DUII STOPS BY YEAR



HIT-AND-RUNS BY YEAR



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INVESTIGATIONS

The Detective Division of the Forest Grove Police Department is dedicated to providing the highest quality of service to the citizens of Forest Grove and is committed to innovating whenever possible. This commitment is exemplified by service not only to our interagency partners, but to our drive to deliver justice to the victims in the criminal cases that we are honored to serve.

Detectives typically investigate complex cases that require follow-up in other geographical areas or cases that are complex and require long term time commitment. Detectives are considered general assignment but typically investigate child abuse, adult sexual assaults, violent assaults and homicides. Additionally, detectives currently interact with the County Multi-Disciplinary Teams (MDT) for Child and Elder Abuse, and the Major Crimes Team (MCT).

In 2019, Forest Grove Detectives investigated a wide variety of cases while enduring two unfilled detective positions. A total of 112cases were assigned to the Detectives Division during 2019, with an additional 51 of those cases assigned to the School Resource Officer. 87 original reports were completed as well as 236 follow up reports and 15 search warrants. The Unit closed 40 cases and completed 17 background investigations. Detectives also assisted with two Washington County details, which were Registered Sex Offender Compliance Checks (106 home visits), as well as 10 Internet Crimes Against Children from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Forest Grove Detectives also assisted the patrol division in 2019 by covering shifts when staffing shortages arose, completing search warrant affidavits and search warrants when the need arose, and also in completing remedial and in-service training for patrol personnel.

MAJOR CASES 2019:

PICTURED TOP TO BOTTOM

- In May, 2019, Aaron Goodrich pleaded guilty to First Degree Rape and First Degree Sexual Abuse following an investigation launched in October 2018. Multiple minor victims from both Forest Grove and another area city came forward to report the abuse, with some instances occurring as far back as 2010, prompting the investigation. He was sentenced to 25 years in prison.
- In February, 2019, Forest Grove Police arrested Joel Beltran-Casillas following an investigation that started in September, 2018 when 911 operators received a text message from a minor victim reporting a sexual assault perpetrated by Beltran-Casillas. A jury convicted Beltran-Casillas of first-degree rape, second-degree sexual abuse and third-degree sexual abuse in early 2020.
- In March, 2018, officers conducted a welfare check on an apartment where a 53 year old female had not been seen or heard from in several days. Patrol located the woman deceased in her home; the medical examiner ruled it a death under suspicious circumstances and a murder investigation was initiated. During the investigation, Kamen Baer and Andrea Tijerina were identified as persons of interest. Baer was arrested and eventually pleaded guilty to First Degree Manslaughter; he was sentenced to 15 years. Tijerina would remain a person of interest through 2019, resulting in her arrest in early 2020 on charges of murder and robbery.
- In May, 2019, Forest Grove Police arrested Ronald Jordan for First and Third Degree Sex Abuse, as well as four counts of Second Degree Sex Abuse following an investigation that began in February 2019 involving a minor victim. Jordan pleaded guilty to three counts of First Degree Sex Abuse and was sentenced to 10 years.
- In February, 2019, the FGPD, in conjunction with the Organized Retail Crimes Division of Safeway, completed an ongoing investigation regarding theft and resale of commercial merchandise. The merchandise was stolen from multiple Safeway and Fred Meyer stores. The approximate value of the merchandise was in excess of \$20,000. Detectives identified Dawson Patrick as a person of interest; he was arrested and eventually found guilty of Aggravated Theft and Computer Crimes.













SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

Officer Clarice Gordon has served as the Forest Grove School Resource Officer since 2016.



The Forest Grove police department supplies one School Resource Officer (SRO) to the Forest Grove School District. The SRO is a patrol officer with sworn authority specifically assigned to work in collaboration with school and community-based organizations. The SRO typically serves a four-year assignment.

In 2019, the SRO responded to more than 340 calls for service. The most common incidents are theft, assault, drug possession, and sexual assault, in addition to a slough of incidents involving bullying, harassment, and social media.

FOREST GROVE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

8 ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

1 UPPER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

1 MIDDLE SCHOOL

1 HIGH SCHOOL

TOTAL STUDENTS: 6,193

TOTAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS: 1,932





CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Code Enforcement Officer Joseph McCullough joined the Forest Grove Police Department in August, 2018.

The City of Forest Grove establishes rules and regulations regarding property, noise, parking, and vehicles, among others, in order to keep Forest Grove a safe and pleasant community to live, work, and enjoy.

When a property or vehicle violates the City's Ordinances, the Forest Grove Police Department's Code Enforcement Officer assists in resolving the issue by working with property or vehicle owners to find solutions. The Code Enforcement Officer is a non-sworn civilian and is specifically dedicated to handling only code calls.

In 2019, Code Enforcement Officer McCullough took 1,666 calls for service. Overall, Forest Grove Police responded to more than 1360 code enforcement related calls in 2019.

Examples of Code Enforcement calls:

- Parking complaints and abandoned vehicles
- Property complaints, including junk, hazards and vegetation
- Ordinance violations, including extended RV stays and noise complaints
- Illegal dumping and littering
- Criminal Mischief, including graffiti



Records: Carol Lorenz



Records: Jaime Zaik



Evidence: Renee Lee



Outreach: Lauren Quinsland

SUPPORT UNIT

RECORDS. EVIDENCE. OUTREACH.

The FGPD currently employs a support unit of non-sworn employees who assist officers and the public in the day to day operations of the department. This includes assisting officers from processing and tracking reports and evidence, assisting citizens who come through the FGPD lobby or call the main office.

Records:

- Records Specialists ensure that data from citations and reports is entered into any number of state and local databases. They route documents to the appropriate entities such as Department of Human Services, District Attorney, and other law enforcement jurisdictions. Records Specialists ensure compliance with public records laws and reporting requirements, and maintain and purge records according to state laws and city policies. They also process any records requests from members of the public.
- Records staff also assist citizens who come into the police department lobby or contact the main business line.

Evidence

- The Evidence Specialist is responsible for logging and storing evidence that is seized by officers, tracking all evidence from the time of seizure to the end of its usefulness. At that point, the Evidence Specialist is responsible for the retention and/or destruction of that evidence.
- The Evidence Specialist partners with the United States Drug Enforcement Agency in sponsoring National Prescription Drug Take Back events twice a year, and is responsible for maintaining a prescription drop-box for public use in the FGPD lobby.

Community Outreach

- The Community Outreach Specialist (COS) is responsible for the department's many educational and crime prevention programs, such as Citizen's Academy, Neighborhood Watch, Scam Workshops, Coffee with a Cop, National Night Out, in addition to community events throughout the year.
- The COS manages the FGPD's web content, social media accounts, department publications and educational resources.

AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS



OREGON PEACE OFFICER'S ASSOCIATION (OPOA) AWARDS:

- Captain Michael Hall (pictured top right) was presented with the OPOA's L. Dale Morris Award for his Distinguished Service in Law Enforcement for nearly 25 years. Captain Michael Hall has held the positions of Patrol Officer, Detective, Detective Sergeant, Patrol Sergeant and Captain. During his career he has demonstrated professionalism under the most trying of circumstances, shown dedication to duty as the clock ticked long past the end of shift and embodied patience when others long since would have walked away.
- Officer Amber Daniels (pictured far right), Sergeant Matthew Smith (pictured right), and Officer Matthew Krump (not pictured) were presented with the OPOA's Life Saving Award. In June, 2019, Sergeant Smith and Officer Daniels were dispatched to a reported to the residence of an individual believed to have attempted suicide. The individual at the residence was known to law enforcement for concerning mental health behavior. When the Officers arrived, they formed a tactical cell to safely approach the residence due to the unknown

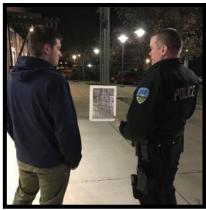


circumstances to the subject's suicide attempt. As the officers approached the front door to the residence, they noticed broken glass and blood in the living room. When the officers called out to the resident, he emerged from a back room, only wearing a pair of shorts and covered in blood. The officers quickly noticed his left hand was nearly severed and dangling from his arm. It was later determined he had used a chop saw in the garage to saw off his hand. Officers convinced the man to exit the residence and quickly noticed he appeared to be going into shock. Sergeant Smith immediately started to apply a tourniquet to the man's arm to keep him from bleeding to death, however the man then started to panic and began waving his arms around. Sergeant Smith and Officer Daniels restrained the man while Officer Krump struggled to finishing tightening the tourniquet. The bleeding was controlled and the scene was made safe for medical personnel to respond in. Based on the amount of blood and tissue loss at the scene, it was believed the suicidal person would have not survived if it not been for the action of these officers.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Forest Grove Police Department takes pride in our relationship with the citizens of Forest Grove and strives to create and participate in positive, meaningful opportunities to interact with the public, with businesses, and with civic, social, and non-profit organizations.





CITIZENS ACADEMY (JANUARY-APRIL) is a 11-week course taught by officers designed to introduce the community to the FGPD and law enforcement. 2019's class had 19 participants. Topics included patrol procedures, use of force, race relations and bias, mental health, and more.



COFFEE WITH A COP: Throughout the year, the FGPD invites the public to local cafes for conversation over a cup of coffee.





SHOP WITH A COP (DECEMBER) is a special event with Washington County Sheriff's Office that partners police with local underprivileged children to go Christmas shopping for their families. Seven FGPD officers and staff participated in 2019's event.



SCHOOL TOURS: Throughout the year, the FGPD opens its doors to local schools for field trips, station tours, and a special Q & A with the command staff.













NATIONAL NIGHT OUT (AUGUST) Each summer the FGPD hosts a city-wide block party with games, safety exhibitors, vehicle displays, bicycle and backpack raffles, food trucks, live music, ice cream with a cop, and more. More than 1,500 people participated in the 2019 event.







COMMUNITY EVENTS: Our patrol officers make positive community engagement a priority and regularly meet with school groups, scouts and clubs, neighborhood gathering. The FGPD also hosts and participates in numerous events throughout the year, including scam workshops, the Founders Day Corn Roast, the Love Rocks Run, Special Olympics Torch Run, Fish with a First Responder, the Pink Patch Project for cancer research, Holiday in the Grove, Downtown Trick or Treat, the Public Service Open House, First Wednesday and the Farmer's Market, Pacific University Orientation, among others.









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